

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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HIERARCHICAL MODULATION SYSTEM  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated January 19, 2011, Applicants submit the following remarks.

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